

5 Abstract

The present invention relates to extracellular polypeptides of *Aspergillus fumigatus*, to fragments of these polypeptides, to compositions comprising such polypeptides and fragments and to exposed domains and epitopes of these polypeptides. The invention also 10 relates to the use of these polypeptides and fragments for immunisation and for production of antibodies, and to antibodies that recognise and bind the polypeptides. Furthermore, the invention relates to methods of identifying binding partners and inhibitors, and to methods of preventing, treating and diagnosing *Aspergillus* infections.